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absolutely necessary that this...a new source of energy is...is found. Sheldon Art Gallery, vapor barrier, \$1.6 million. There is money in 309 to do some of the replacement necessary, not renovation but replacement, repairing the building. But there still needs to be additional money in; this is the vapor barrier of \$1.6 million. University is putting some money in, 309 is putting some money in addition. We start on the building in Omaha at UNO campus, the engineering and build...the renovation of the engineering building. And I'm trying to think of the...oh, here it is right here, the College of Public Affairs and Community Services. There's a write-up on page 63 on that particular issue. We decided to start on that; if you can see, \$500,000 the first year, \$2.5 million the second year, and a big share of it is in the out years of \$9.25 million. Some money is being spent on the electrical and utility distribution systems on the State Fair Grounds, \$500,000 each year. There's also additional 309 money going into some of the buildings there, particularly the 4-H Building, that is repairing of the roof and replacement of windows. This compliments that and also does some electrical upgrades that are badly needed on the State Fair Grounds. If you will notice in the bill, there is also a demand, I guess you would say, by our committee and ultimately this Legislature for them to come up with a business plan by December 1st of this year so that we can determine the viability and future of the Nebraska State Fair. We've had a lot of conversation about that. Many of us are supporters of the State Fair, many citizens of Nebraska are supporters of the State Fair, but they have some work to do in determining their future in our minds. We want to...we've got a master plan for their building and grounds, but we also feel we need a business plan to indicate where they believe their future is, what their support should be, not only from the citizens...not only from our standpoint, from the citizens of Nebraska. And so within the budget is a demand that we have a business plan submitted to us by next year so that we can determine to the extent that we will continue to fund this actually valuable Nebraska institution, but we must see some progress made. There's some money for the Historical Society for planning, there's two lines there, one on planning and one on record and archive storage. There is a...we had a headline here a couple of weeks ago that was somewhat premature. That is not absolute that that will